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Sir:

This Reply is in response to the March 11, 2003 Office Action imposing an restriction requirement to the claims of this application. A response to the Office Action is due April 11, 2003. Accordingly, this Reply is being timely filed.

Election/Restriction

The March 11, 2003 Office Action imposes a restriction of the pending claims into three groups:

- Group I, claims 1-21, drawn to deoxyriboside compounds and compositions;
- · Group II, claims 22-25, drawn to methods for inhibiting enzymes; and
- Group III, claims 26-29, drawn to methods for treating a disease or condition by administering a deoxyriboside compound.

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In response to the above restriction requirement, applicants elect Group I, without traverse.

Conclusion

With this Reply, applicants believe that all preliminary matters are resolved. Accordingly, examination of elected claims 1-21 is requested. If there are any minor matters preventing this examination, applicants request that Examiner Fisher contact the undersigned attorney.

Applicants believe that no fee is required with this Reply. Authorization is hereby given to charge any unanticipated fee deficiency to Deposit Account No. 01-1785.

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Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find the following documents for filing with the aboveidentified utility patent application in the names of Anthony A. Sauvé and Vern L. Schramm, entitled INHIBITORS OF ADP-RIBOSYL TRANSFERASES, CYCLASES, AND HYDROLASES, AND USES THEREOF, comprising the following:

- 1. Reply to Restriction Requirement (2 pages); and
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